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Action Request Response

To: **Utah Public Service Commission**

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Re: No Action Required. Questar Gas Company 191, Pass-Through Rate Dockets

Docket Nos. 08-057-23; 09-057-03; 09-057-12; 10-057-09; 10-057-17; 11-057-02;

11-057-08; 12-057-02; 12-057-08; 13-057-03; 13-057-07; 14-057-09; 14-057-22;

15-057-04; 15-057-11; 16-057-05; 16-057-09; and 17-057-07.

Recommendation (No Action)

The Division of Public Utilities (Division) proposes an updated audit schedule for Questar Gas Company's (now Dominion Energy Utah) 191 Account Pass-Through Rate Docket Nos. 12-057-08; 13-057-03; 13-057-07; 14-057-09; 14-057-22; 15-057-04; 15-057-11; 16-057-05; 16-057-09; and 17-057-07. The audit report for 2013 will be filed by July 16, 2018, and will include recommendations for setting final rates in Docket Nos. 12-057-08 and 13-057-03. The audit report for 2014 will be filed by August 31, 2018, and will include recommendations for setting final rates in Docket Nos. 13-057-07 and 14-057-09. The audit report schedule for 2015 through



2017 remain the same. The audit reports for 2015 and 2016 will be filed by September 30, 2018. The 2017 audit report will be filed by December 31, 2018.

Issue

On September 7, 2017, the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) issued an Action Request asking the Division to outline its schedule for providing audit reports and recommendations for setting final rates set in Docket Nos. 10-057-17; 11-057-02; 11-057-08; 12-057-02; 12-057-08; 13-057-03; 13-057-07; 14-057-09; 14-057-22; 15-057-04; 15-057-11; 16-057-05; 16-057-09; and 17-057-07. On November 6, 2017, the Division filed a memorandum providing its audit plans for the dockets mentioned above.

On June 14, 2018, the Commission issued an Action Request asking the Division to provide an updated schedule for the audit reports. This memorandum presents the Division's updated schedule for audit reports for the dockets mentioned above.

Discussion

The Questar Gas Company (Questar) Natural Gas Tariff PSCU 400, Section 2.06, provides for pass-through applications to be filed "no less frequently than semi-annually." The Commission has authorized Questar to implement Account No. 191 of the Uniform System of Accounts to balance its gas costs with revenues. These filings were made under §2.06 of the current Tariff, pages 2-9 through 2-14, which sets forth procedures for recovering gas costs shown in Account No. 191 by means of periodic and special adjustments to rates and an annual amortization of that account. This information will be reviewed and verified by the Division in each fiscal year audit and reported to the Commission.

On February 16, 2018, the Division filed 191 Account audit reports for the calendar year of 2009 and 2010. The audit reports included recommendations for setting final rates in Docket Nos. 08-057-23; 09-057-03; 09-057-12; and 10-057-09.

On June 19, 2018, the Division filed 191 Account audit reports for the calendar year of 2011 and 2012. The audit reports included recommendation for setting final rates in Docket Nos. 10-057-17; 11-057-02; 11-057-08; and 12-057-02.

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The audit report for 2013 will be filed with the Commission by July 16, 2018, and will include

recommendations for setting final rates in Docket Nos.12-057-08 and 13-057-03. The audit

report for 2014 will be filed with the Commission by no later than August 31 and will include

recommendations for setting final rates in Docket Nos. 13-057-07 and 14-057-09.

The audit schedule for 2015 through 2017 remain the same. As it was described in the Action

Request Response filed by the Division on November 6, 2017, the audit reports for 2015 and

2016 will be filed with the Commission by September 30, 2018. The audit report for 2017 will

be filed with the Commission by December 31, 2018.

Conclusion

The Division's updated schedule proposes filing 2013 audit report by July 16, 2018, and 2014

audit report by August 31, 2018. The audit reports for 2015 and 2016 will be filed by September

30, 2018. The 2017 audit report will be filed by December 31, 2018.

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